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This is a preliminary communication submitted prior to continued examination of the above application as a Continued Prosecution Application (CPA). Prior to further examination, or concurrently therewith, consideration of the following remarks is respectfully requested.

REMARKS

The CPA requests entry of the non-entered amendment submitted September 2, 1999. In accordance with this amendment, claim 1 has been amended to remove unnecessary limitations which were introduced by a prior amendment. New claim 5 corresponds to original claim 2, which was canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. New claim 6 replaces original claim 4 for proper dependency.

Claims 1, 3 and 4 stood rejected under the judicially created doctrine of double patenting over claims 2-4 of U.S. Patent Application S. N. 08/954,822.